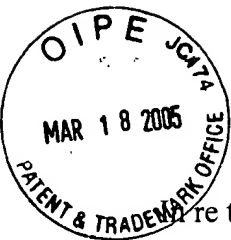


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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the status of the above-identified application, particularly,
when we will receive an ISSUE NOTIFICATION. The Issue Fee was paid on December 3,
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Applicants respectfully submit that there is no fee required for this submission, however,
please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1088.

Respectfully submitted,
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